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"I had never seen a submarine come home before, I had never seen a pageant more thrilling, nor had I ever had a thrill with less pageantry," writes RON RICHARDS. The story he tells is an immortal epic of the sea.



THIS story is not going to be all about tea, but to put first things first I must start by recording that no finer cups of tea than those which Taffy brought to my bunk each morning have ever been poured from a pot. It wasn't that I needed them, of course; it was just that they saved my life each morning.

Now, that part was easy, but to tell you the whole story and not be called a flanneler again is difficult in the extreme.

His Majesty's Submarine "Tally Ho!" came home from the East, and for the first time I was included in the reception party, so believe me, gentlemen, there is not a word of flannel here.

It was Christmas card weather: the time was around twenty hours, it was snowing hard, and the moon directly overhead, bright and round. A

group of senior officers donned was a fellow-Londoner. I also great-coats and left the ward-room. At the south dock, night had a strong feeling of wonder. glasses were passed round and the boys "were waiting for me one of the party said, "There down below." she is, sir." I could see no gaily beflagged submarine returning, nor could I hear cheers and a band. I saw only a red light and a smaller white light, and could hear nothing but the stamps in the snow of the welcome party.

Then a lorry engine sang out, and from it, lights that made the entire dock light as day. But all was quiet again until the thumping of the pilot's craft came into view. She turned round and was lost again.

Then the greatest thrill I remember.

A soft, clear, melodious voice of a Wren through the Tannoy system: "Hello, Tally-Ho!" — "Hello, Tally-Ho!" — "Welcome home," "Tally-Ho!"

I had never seen a submarine come home before. I had never seen a pageant more thrilling, nor had I ever had a thrill with less pageantry. I could see her fully then, silhouetted against a bank of snow. She moved without effort, silently pushing aside layers of oily ice. As she neared her berth I saw half a dozen oddly-clad men throwing ropes and shouting such words as "Secure," "Belay," "For'wd," and these were punctuated with an odd curse or two.

I picked out the sharpened beard of Lt.-Commdr. George Hunt—he was on the bridge, and had gone out to meet the boat. He was talking to Commander A. D. Piper, D.S.C., R.N.R. I enjoyed some cherry brandy in the base wardroom, and I came away without paying my bill.

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WELCOME HOME "TALLY HO!"

THE OFFICIAL WORDING

DURING a twelve-months' commission in Far Eastern waters, "Tally Ho" has sunk a Japanese cruiser of the Kuma class (5,100 tons), a Japanese submarine, a submarine chaser, and a 1,000-ton escort vessel.

In addition, "Tally Ho" has destroyed by torpedo or gunfire 17 enemy vessels of various sizes, from supply ships of 6,000 and 5,000 tons to small coastal craft laden with ammunition and other supplies for Japanese forces in Burma.

The cruiser of the Kuma class was sunk in the northern approaches to the Malacca Strait with a salvo of torpedoes at less than a mile range.

While proceeding on the surface one dark night, "Tally Ho" narrowly escaped being rammed by a Japanese torpedo boat, a rapid change of course saving the submarine from disaster. Commander Bennington realised that an attempt to dive would be fatal, as the enemy would have a sitting target for ramming or depth-charging. So when the torpedo boat returned to the attack, "Tally Ho" was so manoeuvred that, instead of hitting the submarine broadside, she slid right along the length of the submarine, tearing out all the port main ballast tanks with her propeller. The collision caused "Tally Ho" to take on a heavy list, but six days later she returned safely to her base.

On the last day of her last patrol, "Tally Ho" sank a 1,000-ton escort vessel.

"Tally Ho" was built by Vickers, Barrow.

The Commanding Officer of H.M. Submarine "Tally Ho!" with his officers on the bridge. Left to right: Lieut. S. A. Warner, D.S.C., R.N.; Lieut. C. T. M. Thurlow, R.N.R.; Lieut. P. J. Rouse, R.N.; Commander L. W. A. Bennington, D.S.O. and Bar, D.S.C. and Bar, R.N.; Lieut. P. D. Scott Maxwell, D.S.C., R.N., and Lieut. L. D. Hamlyn, R.N.

the names wrongly, Lieut. Warner?

Again talking of Wrens, have you seen the visitors' book aboard "Tally-Ho"?" I think going east can't be such a bad thing after all, though they tell me two rings mean Wren, no rings mean wogwoman.

I think it was Lieut (E) P. D.

But I could add so many more names—Stoker Illsley, Lieut. Rouse, R.N., the Chief Tiffy, Bunts, S.P.O. Geff Wheeler, and so on, and so on.

But no flannel. Simply, congratulations, "Tally-Ho!" — thanks from all of us.

Ron Richards

The lads who have lived through all the excitements of a long commission together proudly display their Jolly Roger, which records their "kills." Nice going, boys!



BELL, BOOK AND CANDLE

A JACKDAW, carrying sticks to the chimney of a stove heating the parish church at Stanningfield (Suffolk), completely blocked the pipe.

When the stove was lit the church filled with fumes, and the rector, the Rev. T. J. Bayley, was overcome, with a member of the congregation.

Both recovered after treatment.

This jackdaw was apparently ignorant of the risks he ran. Conventional Church method of dealing with mischievous jackdaws—as recounted in "The Jackdaw of Rheims," by Richard Barham (1793–1835)—is a cursing by bell, book and candle.

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ADOPTION: 207 LOVELIES, ONE SAILOR

EUGENE LANGE perched at his locker, opening his parcels. All his lower-deck buddies on a French battleship were lending him a hand, and he needed it. "Another pair of pants!" Eugene cursed. "And more cigarettes—darn them!"

Wearily he looked through a heap of socks. "Too large! Too small!"

"That was how it was with Eugene all the time—parcels, parcels, parcels, interspersed with pin-up photographs and languishing letters from girls he had never seen."

Sets of woolen underwear arrived by every post—and Eugene couldn't bear wool next to his skin. Cigarettes came by the thousand—and Eugene didn't smoke.

Eugene's passion was peppermint creams, particularly expensive varieties, and he usually searched every cranny of the parcels hoping for permission—only to be disappointed.

Ever since Eugene had been boosted by a Paris newspaper as the Perfect French Sailor he had been pursued by parcels—plus not a little passion. This was in the last war.

It wasn't Eugene's fault. He happened to be astonishingly handsome, and he had a devilish pair of twinkling eyes. And he had been picked out from a group photograph for higher fame.

His face appeared on the patriotic posters on the boulevards. Soon his picture was in the paper. And the edition was hardly on the streets before women were writing in to know the address of the Perfect Sailor, saying that they wished to adopt him.

Eugene accepted his foster-mothers gratefully at first. But when he found himself adopted by no less than 207 women he wasn't so pleased.

Eugene strove at first to reply to his correspondence—but soon had writer's cramp. Soon all his oppos were writing letters for Eugene. They needed warm clothing, even if Eugene was already hot under the collar. They wanted tobacco, even if Eugene hadn't a taste for it.

When women asked their Eugene for his photograph, they couldn't always make out why the picture so little resembled the face on the boulevards. One of the would-be Eugenes even sprouted enormous whiskers.

Somehow, these complications were straightened out. Gradually the authorities let it be known that parcels addressed to Eugene Lange would be passed on at their discretion to other sailors.

Lange, home on leave, made good use of his time, and visited a number of the prettiest and wealthiest of his "foster-mothers." To each he mentioned his liking for peppermint creams.

But in 1918 the world forgot about Eugene. Seven years later came a strange sequel. In the city of Lyons a woman came to court seeking a restitution order against Eugene Lange. It was the selfsame Eugene, she confessed, who had once been known as the Perfect Sailor. She had adopted him—and had married him.

No sooner was the news in print than a bombshell broke. Six other women came forward to testify that they had married Eugene and had been deserted. The majority had lost their fortunes to him.

"How can we be quite certain it is the same Eugene Lange?" asked Inspector Berthon, of the Sureté.

Peppermint creams provided the answer. Everyone of Eugene's deserted wives, though they couldn't all agree on such details as his height and complexion, were unanimous about their husband's predilection for peppermint.

One day, four months later, the police got their man. Eugene Lange walked out of a sweetshop in a suburb of Paris and felt a cold pair of handcuffs clicked on his wrists. The girls had gone to his head!

RON GARTH.

"Hood on Horseback" By BRUCE KENT

DICK TURPIN has been credited with being responsible for the great horse ride from London to York; but the real "King of the Highwaymen," responsible for the York ride, and other feats standing to Turpin's credit, was John Nevison.

Born in Pontefract in 1639, of quite rich Yorkshire folk, he started stealing as a boy, developed the art on the Continent, joined the British Army, deserted, and then took to "the road" as a means of making a fortune.

Adventure was in Nevison's blood, and this, probably more than the reward, was the chief reason for him turning highwayman.

Within a short time of becoming a "full-time highwayman" Nevison had made a terrible reputation for himself. The good-looking, softly spoken Yorkshireman gained the title "Robin Hood on Horseback," among the poor; for, although a scoundrel, he would never pass by a struggling family and did, on more than one occasion, rob the rich to help the poor.

Among the simple country folk strange stories soon developed around his name. Some said he could ride faster than any other man in Britain; that he could drop out of top-storey windows without hurting himself. According to the legends he was a super-man. But he was caught in the end and thrown into Leicester Gaol.

The stories that surrounded him made his gaolers take very great care, and Nevison was manacled hand and foot and watched by a gaoler day and night.

He still did not give up hope of escape, and decided to seek "outside help." He "went sick" and called in the assistance of a doctor friend. As he lay on his bed, being examined, Nevison hit upon the ideal alibi.

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Drama in the Larder

A CUP of "char" at four is but it was a hand-made job, so much part of our everyday lives that we're inclined with no streamlined methods of distributing the product.

No wonder the cost worked out at over £2 a pound! But there's quite a story behind the packet of tea.

When tea was first introduced to this country, just 300 years ago, it was spelled "tee." It was so expensive that only the rich could afford to drink it at breakfast instead of beer!

The Government soon decided that such a luxury should be taxed—and drinkers had to pay 1s. 6d. a gallon in tax. You bought it at the chemist's or in hardware shops.

Before the war we imported over 500,000,000 lbs. of tea every year, and we're somehow managing to keep on drinking it, even though the ration bursts at the seams.

A cup of tea can make an awful lot of difference when you're tired, cold, or generally "brassed."

The Government is wise to let us hang on to our tea ration. In 1773 we lost America through a mismanaged "Tea Party" in Boston.

Another little war-time luxury that means a great deal is the chocolate bar. No emergency kit is without a slab of chocolate.

The famous brown bean arrived here from Africa round about 1660. The Quakers soon went into chocolate-making,



The Fox who Pressed the Trigger

THERE'S a great difference between the little red fox of the shires and his grey brother of the hill counties, though both are alike for cunning and craftiness.

The hill fox, secure in his fastnesses amongst the rocks, has become more of a raider than a hunter, while the red fox, with no better cover than the woods, must hunt over wide distances for a living.

The keeper, before coming to amongst the crevices of the live down in the shires, had rocks before even a dog or gun spent a few years on a moorland estate, and has strange tales to tell of the marauder one farmer's son hit on an idea.

A ewe had died over lambing, and the boy—he was only sixteen—begged to be allowed to lie in wait for the fox, covered with the newly dressed skin.

One he told me was of a winter that was very hard. It caused rabbits and grouse to become very scarce by the time the spring lambs began to arrive.

Anyhow, there was one old dog fox who became a terror to the farmers round about. He got so bold and saucy with hunger that he carried off lambs from almost under the farmer's nose.

A coffin was ordered, but before Nevison's body could be removed the governor ordered a jury to be empanelled. While the twelve jurymen examined him—not too carefully, for they did not wish to catch the plague! — Nevison lay still, holding his breath.

They brought in a verdict of "Death by plague," and the highwayman, inside the coffin, and fearing he might be suffocated, was taken out of Leicestershire Gaol.

Nevison next moved south and operated between London and Chatham, resuming his "money-or-your-life" activities. Many thought he was a ghost, having heard of his death, and more uncanny stories grew up around Nevison's name.

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would never show himself all pointing toward the dead lamb day if a keeper or farmer placed a little way from the fox's hide-out.

At last a sharp face peeped out of the rock, looked at the lamb, and then turned its gaze towards the "dead" sheep. Then it gave a yawn, as though bored stiff, and withdrew.

In about ten minutes it was back again, and sat contemplating the landscape as though it never intended to move again. It offered a splendid target had the gun been pointing that way.

After a long wait it leaped lightly down, and the boy got ready for the target, when the fox, instead of going towards the lamb, came gliding stealthily towards the sheep.

The boy wondered whether to get up and shoot, when he found the fox sniffing over the sheep skin. His trigger finger itched to get busy, when the fox saved him further trouble.

Lightly, very lightly, a dainty white-grey foot stepped on the boy's hand, but with startling effect.

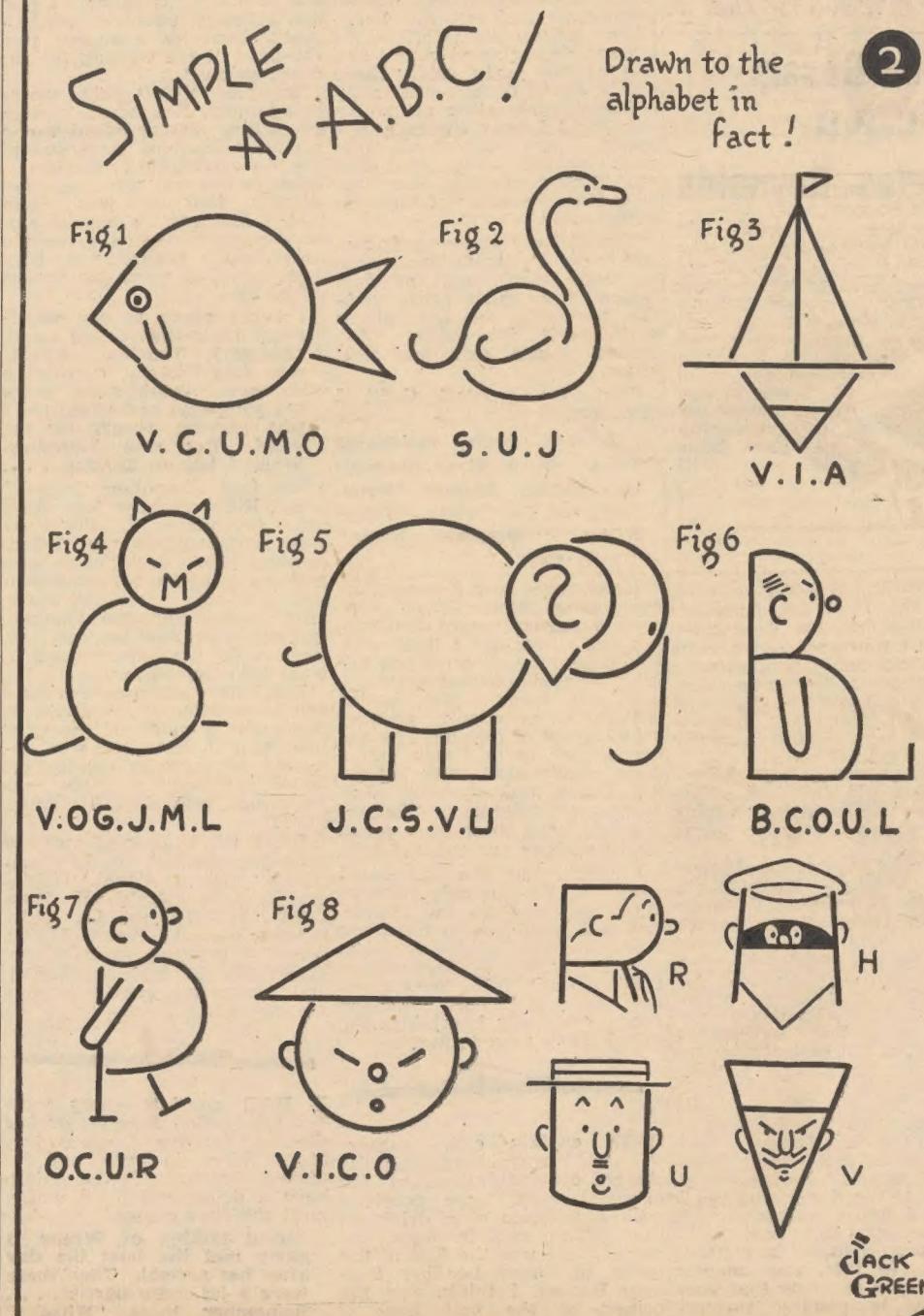
There was a loud "bang!" as he pressed on the boy's trigger finger, and, leaping high in the air, the fox went tearing along the hillside.

"So he escaped after all," I said when the keeper had finished.

"Aye," he replied, "but he was never seen again in that district!"

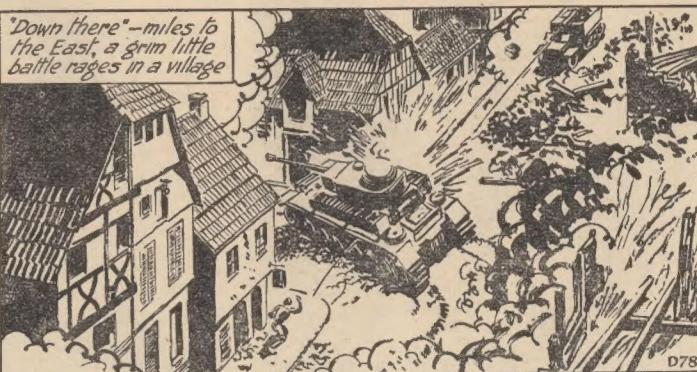
FRED KITCHEN.

DRAW WITH JACK GREENALL : SIMPLE AS A.B.C.—This plate practically explains itself. You will notice if you look closely that all the sketches are composed from letters of the alphabet. Under each sketch are given the letters that are used to make up the drawing. Fig. 1, for example, a fish, V for mouth and head, reversed C for body, U for gill, O for eye, M for tail. The rest are quite easy to follow. The four little heads at the bottom right of plate illustrate how letters lend themselves to the shape of the human head.



ALEX BRUCE.

BUCK RYAN



STAMP MARKET NEWS

By J.S. Newcombe —

A court case of considerable interest to stamp collectors was heard recently at Luton Magistrate's Court, when Josef Tauber, a stamp dealer, was charged with dealing in and harbouring approximately 7,424 stamps of the United States "Flags" (overrun countries) series with intent to evade the import prohibition. He pleaded guilty, and fines were imposed totalling £75, plus five guineas costs.

Prosecuting for the Customs and Excise authorities, Mr. C. A. Ryves described the case as being the first of its kind to come before the courts. Importation of recent American stamp issues was prohibited, except under licence, which was rarely granted, so as to prevent currency leaving the country.

In May last it had been brought to the notice of the Customs and Excise that the forbidden stamps were being offered for sale by advertisement in stamp journals and otherwise. Defendant was one of those who advertised them. Tauber was interviewed on July 30, 1944, when he produced 132 of the stamps. Later he handed over some 8,500 stamps, to the value of about £383.

For the defence, Mr. G. R. K. Anningson declared that this was not a case in which a man had gone out of his way to tempt another man to bring illicit stamps into the country. The man from whom Tauber bought the stamps, a Major Lancaster, was a customer of his, and, as an American citizen, had a perfect right to possess them.

"You may think it unfair," said Mr. Anningson, "that while a British subject is compelled by our law to pay, there is no penalty for an American who brings prohibited articles into this country, except they consent to British jurisdiction. Those persons frequently tempt the way of British citizens, and the temptation is great."

Already, he (Tauber) had lost over £300 by the transaction. On the other hand, the Revenue had lost nothing, because there was no import duty on stamps.

He added that these particular stamps had been offered for sale by several advertisers in stamp papers both before and after the dealings complained of, and even as recently as December, 1944. He asked the Bench to impose only a moderate penalty, suggesting that the purpose of the prosecution would be well served by the publicity which the case would receive.



The Chairman, Alderman J. Burgoyne, said he agreed that the object of the Customs had been achieved. However, the magistrates felt that the seriousness of the case should be noted, and they considered that the fines were lenient.

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Illustrations this week are a French commemorative (Pétain Government) honouring the eighth centenary of St. Denis; Hitler's birthday stamp for 1943, which has only just reached this country; two German commemoratives in aid of the Postal Workers' Organisation; a commemorative for the eleventh anniversary of Hitler's accession to power; and a charity stamp marking the 800th anniversary of the Hanseatic town of Lübeck.



Good Morning



"I've never been twenty-one before," warbled Sto. Keith Marshall at his 21st birthday party, held in the Stokers' Mess. That was certainly a party to remember, although it's doubtful whether the redoubtable Keith remembers much about it! Someone should tell him some day!

"My Brother Sylvet," is Ron Richards' favourite song, and here are a few of the boys singing it for him. Prominent in the glee club are E.R.A. Heath, A.B. Crole, L/Sto. French and Sto. Gale.

YOICKS! "TALLY HO"



Miss Mary Jones, W.R.N.S., was a leading member of the Wren reception committee, which is just another way of saying that "Tally Ho!" had a right, royal reception!



Picture shows part of the Wren reception committee busily receiving. Incidentally, we're a little bit hazy about the general functions of a reception committee — who receives what, and from whom?



L.t. S.A. (Jackie) Warner, D.S.C., pretends to strike the brass bell made from the props of the Jap destroyer that rammed "Tally Ho!" He would have struck it, but his head was in no condition to stand the noise!



In case you don't recognise it, this is a "working" party in a snow storm. Party is about to unload the unused torpedoes. We suspect that any party containing Wren Mary Jones—and on such an occasion, too—would never overdo the work. What do you say, Stoker Illsley?



"Dear Old Pals"—Ron Richards caught this revealing picture of L/Sto. Judge and his oppo. during the homecoming celebrations in the Stokers' Mess. Homecoming can safely be pronounced as duly celebrated!